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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
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EXAMINING GROUP 3600  
PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 09812.0625-00

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Application No.: 09/803,396	)	
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed December 19, 2008, the period for response to which extends through March 19, 2009, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicant proposes to amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper and begin on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment section of this paper.